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SUBJECT: GURU MAHARAJ-JI

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1. NEITHER INDIAN CUSTOMS ACT OF 1962 NOR INDIAN PENAL CODE OF 1860 EMPLOYS FEALONY/MISDEMEANOR CLASSIFICATION. ALTHOUGH SECTION 112 OF CUSTOMS ACT PROVIDES PERSONAL PENALTY FOR SECTION 111 VIOLATIONS, SUCH PENALTY IS LIMITED TO FINE (FIVE TIMES VALUE OF GOODS OR RS.1000.00, WHICHEVER IS GREATER). UNDER U.S. CLASSIFICATION OF OFFENCES IN 18 USCA SECTION 1, OFFENSE IN QUESTION WOULD CLEARLY BE MISDEMEANOR. SECTION 1(1) THEREOF DEFINES FELONY AS OFFENSE PUNISHABLE BY DEATH OR IMPRISONMENT FOR TERM EXCEEDING ONE YEAR.

2. INDIAN PENAL CODE EXEMPTS FROM CRIMINAL LIABILITY ACTS OF A CHILD UNDER 7 YEARS (SECTION 82) AND ACTS OF A CHILD ABOVE 7 AND UNDER 12 YEARS, BUT OF IMMATURE UNDERSTANDING (SECTION 83). THUS 15 YEAR OLD OFFENDER WOULD NOT BE EXECUSED AS MINOR UNDER INDIAN LAW.  
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